Dear Senators TIPPETS, Patrick, Schmidt, and Representatives HARTGEN, Anderson, King:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the Department of Labor:

- IDAPA 09.01.30 Rules Pertaining To The Unemploment Insurance Benefit Administration Rules (Docket No. 09-0130-1301);
- IDAPA 09.01.35 Rules Pertaining To The Unemployment Insurance Tax Administration Rules (Docket No. 09-0135-1301).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 10/04/2013. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 11/01/2013.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4845, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.



Legislative Services Office Idaho State Legislature

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Commerce & Human Resources Committee and the

House Commerce & Human Resources Committee

FROM: Division Manager - Mike Nugent

DATE: September 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Department of Labor

IDAPA 09.01.30 - Rules Pertaining To The Unemploment Insurance Benefit Administration Rules (Docket

No. 09-0130-1301)

IDAPA 09.01.35 - Rules Pertaining To The Unemployment Insurance Tax Administration Rules (Docket No. 09-0135-1301)

The Department of Labor is proposing to promulgate two dockets of rules and four proposed rules total relating to the unemployment insurance program. The first proposed rule is proposing to repeal the tel-a-claim reporting method for unemployment insurance benefit claimants. The Department indicates that the current tel-a-claim system cannot accommodate enhanced work search reporting requirements the Department is requiring to reduce benefit fraud and lower employer taxes. Because of reduced federal funding, the Department indicates it does not have the money to build a new tel-a- claim system. Instead, enhanced work search reporting requirements will be added to the Department's existing internet-based reporting system. This internet-based system can be accessed from personal computers or computers with public access such as those in public libraries or in the Department's twenty-five local offices.

The second proposed rule would amend the current "reasonable length of time" job attached classification standard with a maximum twelve-week standard. This proposed rule change will require benefit claimants to look for work and find new employment sooner than waiting for their former employers to rehire them if their temporary layoff period will exceed twelve weeks. Of the surrounding states, Montana is the only one without a limit on the rehire period. The other surrounding states range from four weeks in Oregon to twelve weeks in Wyoming.

The third proposed rule would require employers to report contributions online unless a waiver is granted by the Department. Waivers would be granted to employers if the online filing requirement poses a significant burden. The Department currently allows the reporting of contributions by either paper or online filing. The online reporting of employer contributions would allow the Department to process quarterly reports from employers more quickly and more cost effectively. The online reporting system should correct errors employers typically make in paper reports. This would help employers avoid thousands of dollars in fines for reporting less quarterly taxes by the reporting deadline than the employer legally owes.

The fourth proposed rule would revise the current "independently established" prong of the independent contractor test for unemployment insurance tax purposes with a more straightforward, common sense economic

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reality test. The current test has fifteen factors and is complicated to enforce and gives employers probably not the best guidance as to which workers may or may not be independent contractors. The economic reality test is currently used by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Social Security Administration and focuses on whether workers are economically dependent upon the business to which they render services.

It appears that all four sets of proposed rules have been promulgated within the scope of statutory authority granted to the Department of Labor.

cc: Department of Labor Joshua McKenna & Michael Johnson

IDAPA 09 - DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

09.01.30 - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT ADMINISTRATION RULES DOCKET NO. 09-0130-1301

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING - PROPOSED RULE

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 72-1333, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than September 18, 2013.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

A new rule is being promulgated to repeal the tel-a-claim reporting method for unemployment insurance benefit claimants. The current tel-a-claim system cannot accommodate enhanced work search reporting requirements the Department is requiring to reduce benefit fraud and lower employer taxes. Replacing it with a new call-in system would be costly. Because of reduced federal funding, the Department does not have the money to build a new tel-a-claim system. Instead, enhanced work search reporting requirements will be added to the Department's existing internet-based reporting system. This internet-based system can be accessed from personal computers or computers with public access such as those in public libraries or in the Department's 25 local offices.

A new rule is being promulgated to amend the current "reasonable length of time" job attached classification standard with a maximum 12-week standard. This rule change will require benefit claimants to look for work and hopefully find new employment sooner than waiting for their former employers to rehire them if their temporary layoff period will exceed 12 weeks. Of the surrounding states, Montana is the only one without a limit on the rehire period. The other surrounding states range from 4 weeks in Oregon to 12 weeks in Wyoming.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: There will be no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(1), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was conducted. The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules - Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the July 3, 2013 Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **Vol. 13-7**, pages 36 and 37.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Joshua McKenna 332-3570 ext. 3919.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before September 25, 2013.

DATED this 24th of July, 2013.

Joshua McKenna, Benefits Bureau Chief Idaho Department of Labor 317 West Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735 Phone 332-3570 ext. 3919 / Fax 334-6125

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT FOR DOCKET NO. 09-0130-1301

550. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

Each claimant shall report weekly or biweekly for benefits as directed. When filing claim reports, a claimant shall use the reporting method assigned by the Department. Failure to file timely reports in a manner required by this rule shall result in ineligibility for benefits for the week(s) claimed. Ref. Section 72-1366(1), Idaho Code. (3-29-12)

- **01. In-Person Reports**. A claimant reporting in person must hand the report to an authorized employee of the local office or place it in a receptacle identified for that purpose. The Department will not accept reports deposited under or through the doors of the office. Reports filed in person at a local office shall be considered timely when filed within nine (9) calendar days immediately following the week(s) being claimed, except if the ninth day is a holiday, the reporting period shall be extended to include the next working day. (3-29-12)
- **02. Mailed Reports**. Reports that are mailed shall be considered timely when the envelope containing the report is postmarked within nine (9) calendar days immediately following the week(s) being claimed, except if the ninth day is a holiday, the report period shall be extended to include the next working day. (3-29-12)
- **103.** Telephone/Internet Reports. Reports filed by telephone to the Idaho Tel A Claim system or via the internet shall be considered timely when made between 12:01 a.m. Mountain Time of the Sunday following the week being claimed and midnight Mountain Time of the Saturday following the week being claimed.
- **64. Facsimile Reports.** Reports filed by facsimile shall be considered timely when transmitted on a form provided by the Department to a telephone number designated by the Department to receive such documents within nine (9) calendar days immediately following the week(s) being claimed, except if the ninth day is a holiday, the reporting period shall be extended to include the next working day. Reports shall be deemed filed upon receipt by the Department (3-29-12)
- **O5. Electronic Mail Reports.** Reports filed by electronic mail shall be considered timely when electronically mailed in a format provided by the Department to an email address designated by the Department to receive such documents within nine (9) calendar days immediately following the week(s) being claimed, except if the ninth day is a holiday, the reporting period shall be extended to include the next working day. Reports shall be deemed filed upon receipt by the Department. (3-29-12)
- **06.** When Report Missing. If a claimant establishes, by credible and corroborated evidence, that a missing report was properly filed as required by this rule, a replacement report shall be considered timely. (3-29-12)

551. -- 574. (RESERVED)

575. SEEKING WORK.

Ref. Sec. 72-1366(4), (6), Idaho Code.

(3-19-99)

- **01. Attitude and Behavior**. A claimant's attitude and behavior must be conducive to a positive reaction by employers to his job search. (3-19-99)
- **02. Effort to Secure Employment**. A claimant will be expected to do what is normally done by unemployed persons that are seeking work. (3-19-99)
- **03. Employer's Hiring Practices.** An employer's reluctance to hire a claimant because of his appearance or physical condition is not a determining factor in ruling on the claimant's eligibility. (3-19-99)
- **04. Job Attachment Classifications**. For the purpose of administering the work search requirements of Section 72-1366(4) and (6), Idaho Code, claimants will be classified according to their attachment to an employer or industry, as follows: (3-19-99)

- a. Code R-Recall, U-Union or X-Both. Claimants who have a firm attachment to an employer, industry or union, or who are temporarily or seasonally unemployed, and expect to return to their former jobs or employers in a reasonable length of time not to exceed a maximum of twelve (12) weeks.
- **b.** Code B. Claimants who possess marketable skills in an occupation, but have no immediate prospects for reemployment, and whose employment expectations (i.e., wages, hours, etc.) are realistic in relation to the normal labor market supply and demand in their areas of availability. (3-19-99)
- **c.** Code C. Claimants who have no marketable skills or whose skills have become obsolete and who are unable to return to their former occupations, or who have a special need for employment-related services.

(3-19-99)

- **d.** Code D. Claimants who are assigned to a training course under the provisions of Section 72-1366(8), Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **05. Jobs Availability.** A claimant will not be required to make useless employer contacts if there are no jobs available in the area due to seasonal factors. (3-19-99)
- **06. No Employment Prospects.** A claimant shall apply for and accept a lower or beginning pay rate for employment if he has no prospects for a better paying job in the locality. (3-19-99)
- **07. Registering and Reporting on Work-Seeking Activity.** A claimant must register for work and report as required to be eligible for benefits. Ref. Sec. 72-1366(1), (2), Idaho Code. (4-11-06)
- **08. Seasonal Availability.** A claimant who is regularly employed on a seasonal basis shall be available for other types of work in the off-season to be eligible for benefits. (3-19-99)
- **09. Work-Seeking Requirement Categories**. Claimants shall seek work in accordance with the following categories of work-seeking activity, as instructed by a Department representative or as notified by the Department via electronic claims messaging. A claimant must meet the requirements of the code to which the claimant is assigned. A claimant's category of work-seeking activity will be determined and modified based on the claimant's prevailing local labor market conditions and/or the average county unemployment rates. Claimants that have not registered for work when filing their claims and that are required to secure employment must register with the local office within two (2) weeks of filing an initial claim for benefits. Failure to comply with work-seeking requirements may result in a denial of benefits. (4-11-06)
 - a. Code O claimants must: (3-15-02)
- i. Maintain regular contact with their employer(s) or union. Code O claimants may also be required to engage in one (1) or more of the following activities to increase their prospects of returning to work or securing employment: (3-15-02)
 - ii. Make local inquiries; (3-19-99)
 - iii. Maintain contact with the local office; (4-11-06)
 - iv. Check "help-wanted" ads in newspapers or trade publications; (3-15-02)
 - v. Attend a Job Search Workshop; or (3-15-02)
- vi. Engage in other work search activities such as resume preparation or labor market research, as prescribed by a Department representative. (4-11-06)
- **b.** Code 1 claimants will be required to engage in one (1) or more of the following activities to increase their prospects of securing employment: (3-15-02)
 - i. Make at least one (1) employer contact each week in the manner prescribed by the local office;

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		(4-11-06)
ii.	Attend a Job Search Workshop;	(3-15-02)
iii.	Expand work search efforts to surrounding areas or states;	(3-15-02)
iv.	Send resumes to firms/businesses that hire people with their skills;	(3-15-02)
v. employment pl	Enroll in and attend a specific training program to meet the rean; or	equirements of the claimant's (3-15-02)
vi. prescribed by a	Engage in other work search activities such as resume preparation Department representative.	n or labor market research, as (4-11-06)
c. increase their p	Code 2 claimants will be required to engage in one (1) or more prospects of securing employment:	of the following activities to (3-15-02)
i.	Make at least two (2) employer contacts per week in the manner pre-	scribed by the local office; (4-11-06)
ii.	Attend a Job Search Workshop;	(3-15-02)
iii.	Expand work search efforts to surrounding areas or states;	(3-15-02)
iv.	Send resumes to firms/businesses that hire people with their skills;	(3-15-02)
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vi. prescribed by a	Engage in other work search activities such as resume preparation Department representative.	n or labor market research, as (4-11-06)
d. increase their p	Code 3 claimants will be required to engage in one (1) or more prospects of securing employment:	of the following activities to (3-15-02)
i.	Make at least three (3) employer contacts per week in the manner pr	rescribed by the local office; (4-11-06)
ii.	Attend a Job Search Workshop;	(3-15-02)
iii.	Expand work search efforts to surrounding areas or states;	(3-15-02)
iv.	Send resumes to firms/businesses that hire people with their skills;	(3-15-02)
v. employment pl	Enroll in and attend a specific training program to meet the rean; or	equirements of the claimant's (3-15-02)

vi. Engage in other work search activities such as resume preparation or labor market research, as prescribed by a Department representative. (4-11-06)

IDAPA 09 - DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

09.01.35 - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TAX ADMINISTRATION RULES

DOCKET NO. 09-0135-1301

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING - PROPOSED RULE

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 72-1333, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than September 19, 2013.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

A new rule is being promulgated to require employers to report contributions online unless a waiver is granted by the Department. Waivers will be granted to employers if the online filing requirement poses a significant burden. The Department currently allows the reporting of contributions by either paper or online filing. The online reporting of employer contributions will allow the Department to process quarterly reports from nearly 50,000 employers more quickly with fewer resources and at a lower cost. The online reporting system corrects errors hundreds of employers typically make in paper reports. This will help employers avoid thousands of dollars in fines for reporting less quarterly taxes by the reporting deadline than the employer legally owes.

A new rule is being promulgated to revise the current "independently established" prong of the independent contractor test for unemployment insurance tax purposes with a more straight forward, common sense economic reality test. The current test has 15 factors and is too complicated to enforce and give employers poor guidance as to which workers may or may not be independent contractors. The economic reality test is currently used by the U.S. Department of Labor and the Social Security Administration and focuses on whether workers are economically dependent upon the business to which they render services.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: There will be no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(1), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was conducted. The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules - Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the July 3, 2013 Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **Vol. 13-7**, pages 38 and 39.

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ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Michael Johnson 332-3570 ext. 3082.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before September 25, 2013.

DATED this 24th of July, 2013.

Michael Johnson, Bureau Chief Idaho Department of Labor 317 West Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735 Phone 332-3570 ext. 3082 / Fax 334-6125

THE FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED TEXT FOR DOCKET NO. 09-0135-1301

011. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

The following Unemployment Insurance Tax Administration Rules are adopted pursuant to Section 67-4702, Idaho Code. (4-11-06)

Quarterly Reporting. Subject employers shall report all wages paid for services in covered employment each calendar quarter. In the event a subject employer does not pay wages during a calendar quarter, the employer shall file a quarterly report indicating that no wages were paid. Ref. Section 72-1337, Idaho Code.

(3-22-07)

- **02. Contribution Due Date.** Contributions are due on or before the last day of the month following the calendar quarter except if the last day of the month falls on a weekend or holiday, in which case the next workday is the due date. Ref. Section 72-1349, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **O3. Penalties and Interest on Bankruptcy**. Penalty and/or interest shall not be assessed on amounts covered in the Department's Proof of Claim with the Bankruptcy Court for the period after the filing date of the Bankruptcy Petition and ending with the conclusion of bankruptcy proceedings and distribution of assets. Post petition penalty and interest shall be compromised, provided the amount due is paid in full by a date established after the termination of the bankruptcy proceedings. Ref. Section 72-1356, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **04. Lien Interest**. Lien interest on a delinquent account shall be assessed against the remaining unpaid balance computed from the day following the recording of a tax lien, at a rate established by law. (See Section 056). Ref. Section 72-1360, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **05. Penalty and Interest During Controversy.** Penalty and/or interest shall be compromised for periods when a valid controversy exists if amounts determined to be due are paid in full by a date established at the conclusion of the issue. Ref. Sections 72-1354 and 72-1360, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **06. Confidential Information**. Information obtained from an employer shall be held as confidential and shall not be released without the consent of the employer except as provided in IDAPA 09.01.08, "Rules on Disclosure of Information," Section 011 or when disclosure is necessary for collection of any amount due under the employment security law, or as otherwise provided by law or these rules. Ref. Sections 9-340 and 72-1342, Idaho Code.

 (3-19-99)

07. Filing of an Employer Appeal.

(3-30-01)

- a. An appeal shall be in writing, signed by an interested party or representative, and shall contain words that, by fair interpretation, request the appeal process for a specific determination or redetermination of the Department. The appeal may be filed by delivering it, or faxing it, to any Idaho Labor local office or to the UI Compliance Bureau of the Idaho Department of Labor, 317 W. Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735. The date of personal delivery shall be noted on the appeal and shall be deemed the date of filing. A faxed appeal that is received by an Idaho Department of Labor local office or the UI Compliance Bureau by 5 p.m. (as of the time zone of the office receiving the appeal) on a business day shall be deemed filed on that date. A faxed appeal that is received by an Idaho Department of Labor local office or the UI Compliance Bureau on a weekend or holiday or after 5 p.m. on a business day shall be deemed filed on the next business day. An appeal may also be filed by mailing it to any Idaho Department of Labor local office or to the UI Compliance Bureau, Idaho Department of Labor, 317 W. Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735. If mailed, the appeal shall be deemed to be filed on the date of mailing as determined by the postmark on the request. Ref. Section 72-1361, Idaho Code.
- **b.** An appeal should be accompanied by a specific statement, information or evidence which provides an explanation as to why the original determination is erroneous. (3-30-01)
 - **c.** In cases where a determination of amounts due is made by the Department pursuant to Section 72-

1358, Idaho Code, the reports shall replace the determination and will be used to establish the employer's liability if (i) the employer files reports for the periods covered by the determination before the determination becomes final, and (ii) the Department determines that the reports are accurate and complete. If the Department determines the reports are not accurate or complete, the reports shall be treated as an appeal of the determination. (3-30-01)

O8. Determinations. Determinations shall be in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the director, and shall contain provisions which advise the interested parties of their right to appeal the determination within fourteen (14) days from the date of mailing, or the date of electronic transmission to an electronic-mail address approved by the Department, of the determination in accordance with Sections 72-1361 and -1368(5), Idaho Code.

(7-1-10)

- **O9. Determination of Payment Date**. Each amount shall be deemed to have been paid on the date that the Department receives payment thereof in cash or by check or other order for the payment of money honored by the drawer on presentment; provided, that if sent through the mail, it shall be deemed to have been paid as of the date mailed as determined by the postmark on the envelope containing same, or the date of the check in lieu of a postmark. Provided further, that in the case of payments received by means of garnishment, execution, or levy, the amount received shall be deemed to have been paid as of the date that the order of garnishment, execution, or levy is served. Ref. Section 72-1349, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **10. Release of Lien upon Payment in Full.** An amount secured by a lien shall be deemed to be satisfied when payment in full is received by the Department in the form of cash, money order, or other certified funds, or proof presented that a check or other negotiable instrument has been honored by its drawer upon presentment. Ref. Section 45-1908, Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- 11. Contribution Reports. Each contribution shall be accompanied by an employer's contribution report. All contribution reports shall be filed electronically with the department unless the employer has petitioned the department in writing for a waiver and the department has granted a waiver allowing the filing of a non-electronic contribution report. All contribution reports shall be in a form or medium prescribed and furnished or approved for such purpose by the department, giving such information as may be required, including number of individuals employed and wages paid or payable to each, which must be signed, or furnished, or acknowledged by the covered employer or, on their behalf by someone having personal knowledge of the facts therein stated, and who has been authorized by the covered employer to submit the information. Ref. Section 72-1349, Idaho Code. (4-11-06)(
- **a.** Common paymaster arrangements as referenced by Internal Revenue Code Section 3306 are prohibited for Idaho unemployment insurance purposes. Each covered employer shall complete and submit an Idaho business registration form and the Department will assign to the covered employer a unique unemployment insurance account number. The covered employer must file quarterly reports under its assigned unemployment insurance account number. The workers of one (1) covered employer may not be reported using the assigned unemployment insurance account number of a different covered employer or related entity. Ref. Sections 72-1325 and 72-1315, Idaho Code.

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

112. DETERMINING STATUS OF WORKER.

- **01. Determining if Worker Is an Employee**. In making a determination as to whether a worker is performing services in covered employment, it shall be determined whether the worker is an employee. To determine whether a worker is an employee, the following factors may be considered: (3-22-07)
- **a.** The way in which the business entity represented its relationship with the worker prior to the investigation or litigation, including representations to the Internal Revenue Service; (3-19-99)
 - **b.** Statements made to the Department;

(3-19-99)

- **c.** Method of payment to the worker, in particular whether federal, state, and FICA taxes are withheld from paychecks; and (3-19-99)
 - **d.** Whether life, health, or other benefits are provided to the worker at the business entity's expense. (3-19-99)
- **O2. Determining if Worker Is an Independent Contractor.** If it cannot be determined that a worker is an employee pursuant to Subsection 112.01 above, then a determination shall be made whether the worker is an "independent contractor" pursuant to the terms of Section 72-1316(4), Idaho Code. For the purposes of that section and these rules, an independent contractor is a worker who meets the requirements of both Sections 72-1316(4)(a) and (b), Idaho Code. (3-19-99)
- **93. Proving Worker Is Free from Control or Direction in His Work.** To meet the requirement of Section 72-1316(4)(a), Idaho Code, the alleged employer must prove that a worker has been and will continue to be free from control or direction in the performance of his work, both under his contract of service and in fact. The following factors may be considered in this determination: (3-22-07)
 - **a.** Whether the alleged employer has control over: (3-19-99)
 - i. The details of the work; (3-19-99)
 - ii. The manner, method or mode of doing the work; and (3-19-99)
- iii. The means by which the work is to be accomplished, but without reference to having control over the results of the work. (3-19-99)
- **b.** The freedom from direction and control must exist in theory (under a contract of service) and in fact; and (4-11-06)
 - **c.** The employer must demonstrate that it lacked a right to control the worker. (4-11-06)
- **O4.** Proving Worker Is Engaged in Independently Established Business. To meet the requirement of Section 72-1316(4)(b), Idaho Code, it must be proven that a worker is engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business. The following factors may are significant and shall be considered in making this determination, although no single factor is regarded as controlling:

 (3 22 07)(____)
- a. Skills, qualifications, and training required for the job The level of skill required to perform the work;
- i. A worker who performs routine tasks requiring little or no training is indicative of the worker's status as an employee.
- ii. A worker who performs work requiring skills marketable as a trade, occupation, profession or business, such as an electrician, attorney, physician, or CPA, is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.
- iii. A worker who performs work requiring special licensing or compliance with regulatory requirements is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.
- iv. A worker who receives all or substantially all of the worker's job training from the alleged employer is indicative of the worker's status as an employee.
- **b.** Method of payment, benefits, and tax withholding The extent to which the worker's services are an integral part of the alleged employer's business; (3-19-99)(_____)
- i. A worker who performs the primary type of work that the alleged employer is in business to provide to its customers or clients is indicative of the worker's status as an employee. For example, an automotive

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	ires an additional mechanic to help in its service repair shop. Since the work provided by the worker pe of work the automotive repair business provides to its customers, the work is indicative of the
worker's status a	
requiring routine	A worker who performs a specific job that is secondary to an integral part of the employer's ative of the worker's status as an independent contractor. For example, if a manufacturing business electrical work within its manufacturing facility hires an independent electrical company to provide electrical work performed is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.
<u>iii.</u> an employee.	A worker who supervises the alleged employer's employees is indicative of the worker's status as ()
<u>iv.</u> services, the wor	If the success of a business depends to an appreciable degree upon the performance of certain ker performing those services is indicative of that worker's status as an employee.
	If a worker is not required to work solely for the alleged employer and there is a separate onship for each job that ends upon the completion of that job, the work is indicative of the worker's condent contractor.
с.	Right to negotiate agreements with other workers The permanency of the relationship; (3-19-99)()
<u>i.</u> worker's status a	The longer a worker works solely for a single alleged employer, the more indicative it is of the san employee.
<u>ii</u> consistent basis i	A worker who makes the worker's services available to the general public for hire on a regular and s indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.
iii. indicative of the	A worker whose hours worked are regularly scheduled, rather than sporadic or occasional, is worker's status as an employee.
<u>iv.</u> alleged employer	Work with a specific ending date that ends the working relationship between the worker and the is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.
<u>v.</u> long as performa	Work that is open ended allowing the worker to continue working for the same alleged employer as nee standards are met, is indicative of the worker's status as an employee.
d. and equipment;	Right to choose sales techniques or other business techniques A worker's investment in facilities (3-19-99)()
<u>i.</u> work-related mat	A worker who is reimbursed for work-related purchases, materials or supplies, or is furnished terials or supplies by the alleged employer is indicative of the worker's status as an employee.()
<u>ii.</u> status as an empl	A worker who uses the tools and equipment of the alleged employer is indicative of the worker's oyee.
<u>iii.</u> equipment provid	A worker's significant investment in tools and equipment compared to the cost of the tools and led by the alleged employer is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor. ()
<u>iv.</u> is indicative of th	A worker who is financially responsible to the alleged employer for damage to equipment or tools ne worker's status as an independent contractor.
of the worker's s	A worker's investment in physical facilities used by the worker in performing services is indicative tatus as an independent contractor.
vi. employer for who	A worker's lack of investment in physical facilities indicating a dependence on the alleged om the worker's services are performed is indicative of the worker's status as an employee.

e. profession, or l services;	Right to determine hours Whether a worker is customarily engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, business providing the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, and the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in an outside trade, and the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in the same type of services the worker provides for the alleged employer engaged in the same type of services the	occupation, engaging his 9-99)()	
<u>i.</u> type of service	A worker who provides one (1) type of service for an alleged employer, while providing to others for hire, is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.	ng the same	
<u>ii.</u> type of service	A worker who provides one (1) type of service for an alleged employer, while providing to others for hire, is indicative of the worker's status as an employee of the alleged employee.	g a different yer. ()	
of media is ind	A worker who advertises independently via yellow pages, business cards, web pages, or licative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.	other types ()	
f. providing the opportunities f	Whether a worker is customarily engaged in an outside trade, occupation, profession, same type of services the worker provides for the business engaging his services or profit and loss; (4)	or business A worker's 4-13)()	
<u>i.</u> compensation	A worker required to carry business related expenses such as insurance, bonding, coverage is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.	or workers	
ii. the work perfo	A worker's ability to earn a profit by performing work more efficiently or suffer a loss rmed is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.	because of ()	
<u>iii.</u> liability for exp	A worker who is subject to a risk of economic loss due to significant investments or penses is indicative of the worker's status as an independent contractor.	a bona fide	
g. Special licensing or regulatory requirements for performance of work; Other factors when viewed fairly in light of all the circumstances that may or may not indicate that the worker was engaged in an independently established trade occupation, profession, or business. These factors may include control of the premises, right to determine hours, or who sets the rate of pay.			
k.	Whether the work is part of the employer's general business;	(3-19-99)	
i.	The nature and extent of the work;	(3-19-99)	
j.	The term and duration of the relationship;	(3-19-99)	
k.	The control of the premises;	(3-19-99)	
Į.	Whether the worker has the authority to hire subordinates;	(3-19-99)	
m. expenses, prov	Whether the worker owns or leases major items of equipment or incurs substantial unided, that in a case where a worker leases major items of equipment from the alleged employed.	vreimbursed oyer: (3-19-99)	
i.	The terms of the lease; and	(3-19-99)	
ii. applicable indi	The actions of the parties pursuant to those terms must be commercially reasonable as nustry standards.	neasured by (3-19-99)	
n. of the business	Whether either party would be liable to the other party upon peremptory or unilateral relationship; and,	termination (3-19-99)	
e. existence or la	Other factors which, viewed fairly in light of all the circumstances in a given case, may ck of an independently established trade occupation, profession or business.	indicate the	

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- **05. Meeting Criteria for Covered Employment**. A worker who meets one (1), but not both, of the tests in Subsections 112.03 and 112.04 above shall be found to perform services in covered employment. (3-19-99)
- **06. Evidence of Contractual Liability for Termination**. For purposes of making a determination under Section 72-1316(4), Idaho Code, and this regulation, the party alleging that summary termination by either party would result in contractual liability must present some evidence upon which to base such allegation. Ref. Section 72-1316(4), Idaho Code. (3-19-99)